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\$67,065 Is Town Portion of Regional School Budget

Northfield's assessment for a tentative Pioneer Valley Regional School District budget of \$118,586 will be \$67,065.64. A hearing on the budget will be held Thursday, Nov. 15, at town hall, according to an announcement by Superintendent F. Sumner Turner.

Enrollments on Dec. 1 will be part of the basis for computing official town shares of the operating budget. A total of 337 pupils in Grades 6-11, divided by each town's enrollment, gives Northfield, with 187 pupils, a share of the \$61,478 operating budget amounting to \$34,113.

Capital shares, set by percentage formula, show the following breakdown of an expected \$57,108.73 capital assessment against the three towns; Northfield, 57.7 per cent, \$32,951.74; Bernardston, 30.8 per cent, \$17,589.49; and Warwick, 11.5 per cent, \$6,567.50.

Increased Chapter 70 reimbursements from the Commonwealth will reduce district costs further by virtue of their being part of a regional school district. Northfield's reimbursement will amount to \$2,862.75; Bernardston, \$2,222.41; and Warwick, \$1,173.57. By applying a state building reimbursement of \$43,785.66 and the remaining unexpended appropriation of \$13,045.61, the total capital budget will be reduced from \$1,113,940 to \$57,108.73.

Making up the gross capital budget are \$75,000 of maturing debt and \$38,940 in interest payments during the year.

The \$61,478 operating budget comprises the following: instruction, \$30,918; plant operation, \$8,100; transportation, \$9,360; auxiliary agencies, \$4,450; general control, \$3,900; student supplies, \$2,500; textbooks, \$2,000; and plant maintenance, \$250. Most of the operating costs are figured only on the basis of four tenths of a full year since the new Grades 7-12 building will be open only in September through December in 1957.

X-Rays Given

The Franklin County Public Health Association, Inc., X-rayed 43 school personnel of the Northfield School Union last week. The X-ray clinic was held at Turners Falls Athletic Association where a total of 926 persons received the free chest X-rays. Mrs. Priscilla L. Abbott, Executive Secretary, reported.

David Scott has been on 30-day leave after completing his training at the electronics school in Memphis, Tenn. He will report to San Francisco Friday, Nov. 9 and will be sent to Hawaii.

Gasoline Station on Main Street To Follow Removal of Whitney House

At a meeting of the Civic Council Wednesday, permission was granted the Whitney brothers to erect a gas station at 41 Main St. The Whitney home at that address is to be removed.

Although it was found that the selectmen had no legal basis on which to refuse a permit, George Sheldon, chairman of the town planning board, pointed out that the selectmen still retain the right to specify the type of building erected.

Selectman Robert Barnes warned that the town had no protection against similar encroachments except through zoning laws or town by-laws. He said also that the Whitneys have been warned of town sentiment against construction of another gas station on the main street.

Local Enterprise

This year local residents are going to be able to buy their Christmas trees and wreaths here in town. Norma Stearns and Dorothy Persons will start taking orders for wreaths Nov. 25 and will deliver about Dec. 1. Plain pine and laurel wreaths will start at \$1 and prices will increase according to the amount of spray, cones and ribbons and other decorations which are added. The Persons live at the old Stevens place and their telephone number is 726. The Stearns number is 830.

Hastings Home Burns Tuesday

Fire gutted the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hastings on Main Road in Gill Tuesday morning. No one was injured and much of the furniture was removed in time but the interior was completely burned out. Only the walls and roof remained.

Hastings called the fire department at 5:05 a.m. and Deerfield and Northfield tank trucks were sent. The Tri-State dispatch center in Greenfield was called a few minutes later for tankers because of an insufficient water supply at the scene.

According to Fire Chief Stanley Kozik, the furnace fire had become too intense, causing a blaze in the chimney. The blaze was extinguished in two hours and Gill firemen remained at the scene until 9 a.m. to guard against a later flare-up in the wooden building.

Presidential Election Results at Schools Follows National Trend

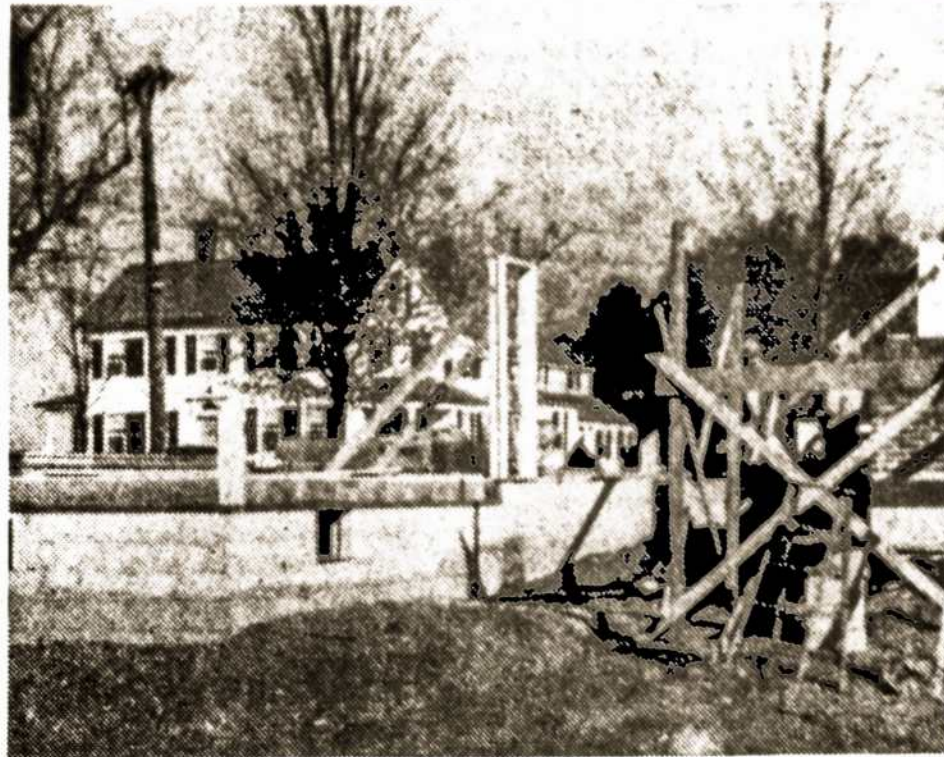
Results of the pre-election polls at The Northfield Schools proved an accurate forecast of the presidential election, although Eisenhower's plurality was considerably higher here, percentage wise.

At Mount Hermon Monday, faculty and staff joined the students in voting 491 for Eisenhower, 79 for Stevenson, and 25 undecided. Student votes numbered 530, while the faculty and staff cast 65 ballots.

Northfield School for Girls voted Saturday, 421 for Eisenhower and 81 for Stevenson. Northfield's votes included 60 absentee ballots from girls who were away on the weekend.

Sheldon, however, spoke of the dangers of overzoning and said that the first important step should be the obtaining of a town map which could be used by the Selectmen, the Planning Board, and the committee working on revaluation. He said further that the planning board is now making long range plans for developing the area between Main St., Warwick St., East St., and Maple St. with possible future roads.

Eighteen residents were present at the meeting, which was presided over by Edward F. Hurley. The subject of a permit for the new gas station has been the source of lively controversy the past few weeks, culminating in a public hearing at town hall last week.



Leavis & Bolton are the contractors on the home being built for Mrs. Louise Dorchester at Highland Ave. and North Lane.

Mild Weather Is Help to Contractors

Construction is being rushed on several homes here, as the fall weather continues very mild.

At the corner of Highland Avenue and North Lane, diagonally opposite the birthplace of Dwight L. Moody, is the new home of Mrs. Louise Dorchester, head of hall at Hillside dorm at Northfield School for Girls. Mrs. Dorchester's daughter, Miss Elizabeth, is on the faculty at the school. Contractors are Leavis & Bolton.

At the north end of town, the Cregar and the Billings homes are nearly completed. On Dickinson St., the Hurley house is about half completed. The cellar hole for the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Greene in West Northfield has been dug.

Enthusiastic Audience Hears Buffalo Philharmonic Group

By V. R.

The Buffalo Philharmonic orchestra played to a most receptive audience of more than 2500 Saturday evening in the Northfield Schools auditorium.

The audience was composed to a large degree of student from the Northfield Schools. Perhaps this was a reason for the choice of very conservative selections on the program. Some wished that the program arranger had shown more faith in the ability of a rural New England audience to appreciate good music less familiar than that offered.

It was announced from the platform that because of the sudden illness of Josef Krips, his associate Willis Page would conduct. This announcement was received politely by those who had looked forward eagerly to the conducting of the celebrated Mr. Krips. One could sense at first a polite reserve which seemed to communicate itself to the performers but it was not long before the orchestra, under Mr. Page's sure and expert direction, won the hearts of the audience.

The program opened with Rossini's "William Tell" overture. Suggestions of the Lone Ranger were too much for youthful (and some older) high spirits and sudden laughter swept the audience briefly. But the beauty of the music and the verve with which it was played overcame all.

Next offering was the tone poem "Don Juan" by Richard Strauss which lost none of its romantic character by being kept firmly in hand as to tempo; a relief from the loose and sloppy treatment it often receives.

In the "Eroica" symphony of Beethoven one had the feeling of the wonderful potentiality of an already fine ensemble; that greater things can be expected; that the orchestra is still "young" and growing. (Almost the same feeling one sometimes has upon listening to an extremely gifted and sensitive virtuoso still in his 'teens.) The listing of this orchestra as one of the ten finest in the country seems justified.

First encore was a striking Hungarian March from "The Damnation of Faust" by Berlioz, which Mr. Page dedicated to the people of Hungary in their courageous struggle for freedom. The enthusiasm of the audience, already at a high pitch, reached new heights at this point, for the orchestra seemed suddenly relaxed, and for the first time seemed truly to hit its stride. Of course the encores could not be compared as music to Beethoven's "Eroica," but it was here that we felt most of all, the warmth, charm, brilliance, and above all

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Former Schoolhouse Sold by Town

Raymond Waterman of Swamp Road has purchase the old No. 6 school on Gulf Road, it was announced Monday night by selectmen. There were four bids opened. Waterman bid \$325 for the building and the land, which lies near his own property. The selectmen were authorized by town meeting to sell the school and the lot.

Quick Tricks for Quick Fall Meals

Contributed by a Northfield Reader

November's bright blue skies and clear vibrant weather promote vigorous play, hearty appetites and greater demands on the "cook's" time—a very real reason why she should have some quick tricks up her sleeve. Quick tricks, that is, for making interesting and tempting casseroles and hot entrees whether of New England vintage or reminders of far-away places.

These suggestions are for the most part main-course dishes; any or all would, with a salad and dessert constitute one-dish meals.

Quick Crab Meat Mornay is made by heating one can of condensed cream of chicken soup and ¼ cup milk until bubbling, then add slowly one slightly beaten egg. Butter a shallow casserole. Spread 1½ cups crabmeat over the bottom of the casserole (enough for 4 to 6 servings) cover with sauce and sprinkle with grated cheese; about ¼ cup. Place 4 inches from broiler unit; broil just until cheese melts and is a delicate brown. Remove from broiler, sprinkle with chopped parsley and serve immediately.

A fresh grapefruit-avocado salad or tomato and cucumber salad served with a piquant French dressing—crusty water rolls or French bread, leaves little to be desired, other than a simple dessert.

Everyone will sing the praises of a **Ravioli Casserole** prepared with sauteed egg-plant slices. For this heartiest of the hearties wash and peel egg plant. Cut slices about ½-inch thick. Saute in unsalted fat or salad oil only until slightly browned. Arrange canned ravioli in a layer in a buttered baking dish. Next, place slices of egg plant—sprinkle with just a bit of Parmesan cheese. Repeat the process. Bake in a moderate oven about 40 minutes or until casserole is bubbling. Serve with a tossed green salad.

Bible School Enrolls 31

The Northfield Evening School of the Bible opened at the Baptist church at 7 p.m. Tuesday with 31 persons registered for courses. Dr. Norman Anderson of Brattleboro is holding a class in "God's Plan for the Ages," attended by twenty people. "Methods in Teaching" is being taught by Mrs. William Messer in a class of ten students and seventeen are enrolled in the New Testament course offered by Rev. Thomas Lawrence of the Providence-Barrington Bible College and Rev. Paul Bubar, pastor of the Baptist church. A theology course in basic doctrines of the Bible is also being taught by Mr. Lawrence and Mr. Bubar.

Each student may enter two of the four courses offered. Registrations are being handled by Charles White with Jerry Durant assisting. "Chapel Time," held between classes, are conducted by the pastor, Paul Bubar.

BLOOD DONORS ARE NEEDED

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Trinitarian Congregational Church today from noon to 6 p.m. It is sponsored by the Home and Community Service committee of the local and Bernardston Granges.

Few residents realize that whenever a Northfield person receives blood transfusions from a hospital, that hospital is supposed to receive a like amount from another Northfield resident as soon as possible. Both Hanover and Brattleboro have recently notified the local Red Cross that two of our people have been recipients of blood there and that the blood must be replaced at once.

Mrs. Arthur Pretz is chairman of the sponsoring committee and Mrs. Sara Spindler, co-chairman. They will be assisted by Mrs. Ross Spencer, Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. J. Lee Bolton, Mrs. Dana Leavis, Mrs. Alvin Scott, Mrs. Ralph Holton, Mrs. Norman Fowler, Mrs. Roy Fish, Mrs. Pearl Allen, Mrs. Bernard Whitney, Mrs. Arthur Hodges, Miss Frances Given, Miss Veronica Powers, and Miss Delores Fuller.

Dr. Ansel True will be in attendance from noon to 3 p.m. and Dr. F. Wilton Deane from 3 to 6 p.m. In addition to the Red Cross staff on duty will be local nurses Mrs. Dorothy Magoon, Mrs. Bertha Rikert, Mrs. Eleanor Reed, Mrs. Marion Dean, and Mrs. Marian Billings.

A lunch will be served to the donors by Mrs. Pearl Allen and her committee.

The William Wymans, who moved into the Benney home on Birnham Road, recently entertained the Class of 1938 during the recent Mount Hermon homecoming week end.

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Response...

We are pleased at the response to the news of the revival of The Northfield Press. While not overwhelming, it is more than gratifying, and it confirms our belief that Northfield citizens and merchants want, as well as need, a newspaper devoted to their interests.

A significant response was in the editorial columns of a nearby daily newspaper, where the editor commented on the hatching of our little phoenix, and wished us success. He also noted in passing that "despite all the radio and TV competition, and other attractions which would seem to give less time for reader interests... there is always something new springing up to take over where a field has been abandoned, or areas where there never was real coverage."

He goes on to say that Northfield people "are seeking more local news and a local advertising medium... Northfieldians want more than [the newspapers of nearby population centers] can supply."

We firmly echo this belief. The Kiwanis Club and the Civic Council, in voting their support to us, apparently are of the same mind. Many letters have come with subscription orders, expressing pleasure at revival of the Press.

For these kind expressions, we thank you. The Press will endeavor in all ways to be your newspaper, reflecting the life of the town of Northfield.

Fog Blamed for Auto Accident

Extremely foggy conditions were blamed for an accident in which a car carrying four Greenfield youths plunged down a fifty-foot embankment on Route 10 early Sunday morning. The two injured were Robert F. O'Connell, 16, who suffered a concussion and abrasions of the back, and Paul Fontaine, 19, who sustained abrasions of the chest and shoulders and contusions of the head. Louis Morin, 18, operator of the car, and Frederick Ulrich, 18, another passenger, were unhurt.

Trooper John D. O'Connell of Shelburne Falls state police barracks investigated the accident and said that Morin, traveling west on Gill Center Road, went through the stop sign at the Route 10 intersection because of the fog and then went down the embankment off the west side of

Nurse's Report Given

Mrs. Marian Billings, public health nurse, gave her report for the month of October. At the polio clinic, 66 young people received polio vaccine. Eleven children attended the crippled children's clinics. All the students at the Center school were weighed and measured. Seventy-nine non-communicable cases were visited, including two post-partum, one new born, five pre-schoolers and 29 adults.

Mrs. Billings qualified as an instructor by completing the course in home nursing sponsored by the Red Cross in Westfield.

Route 10.

Dr. Ansel True treated the injured at the scene of the accident and they were taken to the Franklin County Public hospital by ambulance. There they were treated by Dr. Samuel Failla. Paul Fontaine was released soon after.

CROSSTOWN

By Roland Coe



"Don't ever put it up again!"

Church Notes

Advent Christian Church
Public Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School at 11:00 a.m. Sermon by the pastor, Rev. Everett Moore, "Is The Writing on The Wall?" Evening church services, 7:30 p.m.; sermon, "Light on the Damascus Dark Road." Monday, 6:30 p.m., Stateline Men's Fellowship Supper and Program.

Memorial Chapel—Mount Hermon
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Dr. E. W. Muehl of the Yale University Divinity School will be the guest minister at the worship service.

Russell Sage Chapel Northfield School
Sunday, 7:30 a.m., Holy Communion Service conducted by the Rev. Robert Curry, Headmaster of Lenox School. The regular chapel will also be conducted by Rev. Curry at 11:00 a.m.

Trinitarian Congregational
Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, minister. Irving J. Lawrence, choir director, Mrs. Belle C. Marden, organist. Sunday, 9:45 a.m., church school. Mrs. F. H. Mosse, superintendent; 9:45 adult Bible class meeting in the north tower room; 11, morning worship with sermon.

St. Patrick's Catholic
Main St. Rev. Henry McKeon, pastor. Rev. Anthony Rzata, curate. Sunday—9:45 a.m. Sunday School—Mass at 10:30.

Northfield Unitarian
Sunday: Rev. Robert S. Slater, minister; Mrs. Francis Reed, organist and choir director. Worship service with sermon at 9:45 a.m. School of religious education at 11 a.m. Superintendent, Mrs. Kenneth Miller; assistants, Mrs. Herman Miner and Kenneth Miller. Worship service and classes.

Northfield Baptist
Main Street, Paul L. Bubar, pastor; Mrs. Dorothy Perry, pianist, Saturday, 7:30 p.m. "Himself" youth rally at the church; Sunday, 8:175 a.m. WHAI morning worship; 10, Sunday school, Mrs. William Messer, superintendent. 11, morning worship with sermon.

Orchestra Review

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that free and happy, almost indescribable feeling of *sympatico* which is the earmark of greatness, and which made one feel the truly high potential to greatness of an already fine orchestra.

The Northfield Schools can be more than proud of their students, whose behavior was so exemplary, who showed such a genuine and hearty interest in the musical fare set before them, and whose interest and enthusiasm certainly deserves a continuation of this type of opportunity.

As the crowd moved toward the door, an unidentified lady was heard to remark, "I don't see how Josef Krips could have done any better, do you?" And that was a sentiment fervently felt by all, after a most enjoyable musical evening.

Mount Hermon won the football game with Vermont Academy by a score of 19-0. Mount Hermon scored one touchdown in the opening period and in the second quarter held fast on their own one-yard line for four downs to take the ball away from Vermont. Mount Hermon's other two touchdowns were scored in the last period by end David Bain.

High School News Notes

DAVID AMSDEN, Reporting

Students at Northfield high were given the opportunity to vote in the presidential election on Tuesday, Election Day. Under the direction of the civics class, polls were open during the noon hour. Members of the class distributed ballots as the names were checked off the official list. Each student marked his presidential choice and then he was checked out on a second list simulating as near as possible actual voting procedures.

The results more nearly resembled President Eisenhower's electoral vote as far as his comparative majority was concerned. The totals were Eisenhower 131 and Stevenson 22. As with the general public, about 10% of the students failed to take advantage of the opportunity to vote.

Our magazine sales campaign is complete and all subscriptions are now in. The final sales were \$1553. This is about \$275 below the campaign of a year ago but, even at that, represents a very successful sale.

The senior class conducted a very successful supper at the town hall Monday evening. A sumptuous meal was served to about 175 people. Those who attended were very generous in their praise of the food served and the service received.

The supper was served under the direction of Principal George Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Field and Mrs. Ralph Holton. In addition to these people, others aiding in the preparation of the food were Mrs. Harold Parsons, Mrs. Owen Stacey, Mrs. George Leonard, Richard Parsons and several members of the senior class.

Donations of potatoes were made by George Mello and David Amsden, the squash and onions by Mr. Leonard, pies and coffee by members of the class and their parents and friends, all the ice cream by Fred Avery and milk by Norman Fowler and numerous other donations by many friends.

The profit from this supper will be about \$115 which will aid the Washington trip fund to a considerable extent.

In commemoration of Massachusetts Heritage month, the Massachusetts Bar association assigns lawyers to speak at the high

schools of the state to acquaint high school students with their heritage as citizens of the Commonwealth. Melvin Barclay of Greenfield, an attorney well known to residents of Northfield, spoke to grades 9-12 Wednesday on the subject of the duties and rights of Massachusetts citizens.

The students were very interested in Mr. Barclay's address and took advantage of the opportunity to ask questions. Mr. Barclay impressed upon the students the fact that it is their responsibility to see that our wonderful heritage is passed on to the future citizens.

The seniors are rehearsing their class play, "Going on Seventeen." The plot of the play concerns the efforts of three teen-age women to publish a magazine. Unfortunately for the magazine, a summer visitor by the name of Lillums is able to win the interest of each of the teen-age boys and to play one against the other. The situation is further complicated by a shortage of cash in the bank where the father of the editor works. The solution to these various problems will be revealed at the town hall on Saturday, Dec. 15, when the seniors will present this play.

Mrs. Grace Bennett has had to undergo an operation while in California. She is with her son, Dr. Jack Bennett. Her grandson attends college there.

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Social and Personal News Notes of the Northfield Area

The Afternoon Alliance of the Unitarian church met Thursday and was addressed by Miss Beverly Webster who spoke of her adventures in Mexico while painting there.

John W. Haigis and Bert Hill spoke at the conference of Christian Endeavor and Pilgrim Fellowship youth groups in Greenfield Sunday. A group of young people from the Congregational church in East Northfield attended.

Vernon Taylor of Pine Street went hunting in Orfordville, N. H., last weekend and brought home a 150-pound spiked horn buck he had shot.

The American Legion auxiliary held a lingerie party in the Legion rooms Thursday evening.

Cub Scouts sponsored a toy party Thursday evening in Alexander Hall.

Among the 105 absentee ballots received here for the election

Tuesday was one sent from the South Pole. This was from John Randall who is on duty with a naval expedition there. At one time John had nine brothers and one sister in the service—a state record. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leon Randall of West Northfield.

The Franklin County Northfield Club held a project meeting Thursday evening in Talcott library. Miss Fanny Stockbridge read poetry while members worked on gifts for the women patients of Northampton State hospital. Miss Stockbridge is a member of the class of '05 of Northfield Seminary.

The Clifford Fields were visited by their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Norton Field of Long Island on Monday night.

The new Bulletin issued by the Northfield schools has an excellent article on the summer conferences by James R. Whyte, chaplain at the Mount Hermon School. Chaplain Whyte was Dr. Rubendall's representative to welcome the out-of-town guests.

Edgar Parker, USN, left Newport, R. I., Tuesday with the destroyer fleet headed for Mediterranean waters on a five-month cruise.

A daughter, Susan Winston, was born Oct. 31 to Mr. and Mrs. John Gooding in Springfield. The Goodings were formerly of the Mount Hermon faculty.

Miss Beverly Briesmaster of the Valley Vista Inn left by air

for Ann Arbor, Mich., on Nov. 8 to visit her sister, Ellen, who is a nurse there.

Dr. John Madden, one-time summer resident here, died Nov. 1 in Brooklyn, N. Y. He spent several summers at the Gage home on the Mabbie estate and at "Rose Cottage" on the Ridge.

The director and staff of the Schaffler Memorial library at Mount Hermon have issued invitations to the "Fall Harvest of Books." There will be a Hampshire Bookshop exhibit and sale. The time is set for 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11. It will last till 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are on sale for the harvest supper Saturday night at the town hall.

National Flower Week was celebrated by a contest held by Yesters, the Greenfield florists. Delegates from all the surrounding garden clubs attended. A prize of ten dollars was won by Mrs. Mildred Nims who represented Northfield. Participants were given containers and flowers to work with and arrange.

There was a Friendly Service all-day sewing meeting at the Unitarian Congregational church Thursday. Refreshments were served.

The staff of The Northfield hotel set up their toboggan slide Nov. 6 in anticipation of snowy days ahead but the people went coatless to the polls.

Miss Sadie McEwan has returned to the home of her brother, George McEwan.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Powell have received a cable from their daughter, Mrs. Virginia Powell McDonald, now in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, saying that she, her husband and their three children are "all fine as usual."

Twenty-five people attended the party for families of servicemen at the Vernon Home. Humorous readings by Lester White and Edgar Bruce and a poem read and acted out by Warren Brown were highlights of the program. There were prayers for the men in service and hymns were sung.

Mrs. Howard King traveled by plane to Camden, S. C., to attend a celebration of the first birthday of her daughter's little girl.

The Kiwanis Club attended the supper put on by the high school seniors Monday evening and then held their meeting afterward. Samuel Blassberg spoke of his experiences as a delegate to the Democratic convention at Chicago last summer.

Mrs. Robert Huber and Miss June Moore acted as judges for the Hallowe'en parade. They chose the twenty best costumes from among the large gathering of children and from them the audience selected Lynn Mercer as having the best costume of all. Bill Judd took second prize and Ed Kugler, third.

The Mr. and Mrs. Club of the Baptist church will hold a Saturday in the town hall this Saturday evening.

While Mr. and Mrs. William Person went on a two-week vacation, the Robert Johnsons stayed at the Persons home.

Harriman Meroth of the Valley Vista Inn died suddenly Wednesday. He was born in Boston on Nov. 3, 1904, son of Walter and Florence Meroth. High Mass of Requiem was said at St. Patrick's Friday and burial was held at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Dr. G. B. Granger reports that as of Nov. 8 Northfield has given

\$3,427.50 to the United Franklin County Fund. The amount given represents 95% of the goal. The drive closed Friday and hopes are that they will have made the goal of \$3,591.

Several subjects other than that of the gas station permit were discussed at the Civic Council Wednesday evening. The Joseph Bilmon committee working to combat the Japanese beetle was discussed. The public was asked for suggestions concerning the problem of Christmas greetings to servicemen. That Northfield is the only town in the area without a free dial system was another subject touched upon. The Northfield Press was spoken of appreciatively as representing a sound community service.

Mrs. Constantine George of Warwick Ave. was invited by the American Association of the United Nations to attend the 11th annual observance of UN Week at Hunter College Auditorium. The many national costumes worn in the Panorama of Nations came mostly from various museums but the Bulgarian gown worn by Mrs. George was her own. This is the first year for Bulgaria in the United Nations organization. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was the principal speaker at the annual observance.

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Dr. Howard Rubendall and his assistant, William Person, spoke of future plans for Mount Hermon before 66 class agents last Friday night. Alumni enjoyed a chicken barbecue lunch Saturday before the football game with Vermont Academy. The lunch was prepared by parents of a 1956 graduate, the George Colemans of Kintson, N. H. After Chapel Sunday morning, Dr. and Mrs. Rubendall served coffee at their home to guests.

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Through a Kitchen Window

Today while making the rounds of the yard and hillside I came upon a small group of white-throats as they rose from the glen. With a tset they flew up, keeping just ahead of me at every step, not too disturbed by my presence. Continuing on into the open field below I watched and listened. Only a blue jay's harsh cry and the hoarse caw of the crow came back to me on the west wind.

As I looked around I noticed the dwarf or wing-rib sumac at the edge of the plowed field had turned a deep shining maroon. Fragrant everlasting brightened a few square feet with its softly wooly stem and silvery white blossom heads; and meadow grasses in company with sweet fern spread a rusty blanket beneath the overhanging trees. Blackberry briars were a tangled mass of color and the staghorn sumac still hung onto a few limp red leaves.

Squash too imperfect to market lay scattered over the plowed ground. The harvest had been gathered before the first frost had touched the tender vines. One of the butternut squash lay open lengthwise exposing the creamy white seeds. The bright orange flesh bore tooth marks of some four footed animal, of some animal who had a home nearby.

I should have taken a better look at the record I told myself later. Was it the work of woodchuck who should have been preparing for his winter's sleep, or could the common field mouse or the dainty white-footed deer mouse have found the squash tasty? There's a lot to read in tooth marks; how long and how wide and what is the size of the tooth. The space between gnaws gives some indication of the size of teeth that took the bite that belong to the animal that nibbled the squash. What wild folk prefer a vegetable appetizer in a day's menu? Whose autobiography did I read this day?

I turned to follow the path leading up the hill under the great white oak stopping to admire the luminous gold-orange leaves of the small beech tree

which had such a struggle to survive. The cottontail rabbit left his imprint on the very young bark during several winters before we wrapped the slender trunk in burlap for protection. On my left the buckthorn was still bright green and to my right barberry bushes, from seeds scattered by birds, had shed their leaves. The branches were hung with shiny red drops of sealing-wax, good material for a winter bouquet I thought.

Off to one side a robin struggled with the last miserable wild cherry fruit on the drooping branches. It seemed not worth the effort he put into it. Several waxwings alerted my attention by their characteristic high thin zeeing. How sleek and trim these crested birds look in soft brown with a bright yellow band edging the tip of the tail. A meadowlark wasn't a meadowlark at all. The imitator starting out well ended on a false note and gave its identity away.

Just as I gained the yard a lone bluebird flew from the top of the oak to the tip of the leafless elm on the fence line. The sun was setting and the shrubs around the house glowed with a vibrant warmth. The old-red of the shutters was echoed by the color of the spirea, the arrow-wood, the swamp azalea and the aronias above the freshly raked clear green lawn. The house wore golden windows, touched by the fading light.

It wasn't until I took my coat off and glanced down that I discovered I'd been decorated with the calling cards of the beggarticks, one of nature's seed tramps. Somewhere along the trail these creatures laid in wait for something to pass by so they could

Scout News

NORTHFIELD BROWNIES

Mary Hawley was elected troop president last Thursday, Nov. 1, at a meeting at the Little House. Linda Wood was chosen vice president; Susan Leonard, secretary, and Miss Angela Boliski, treasurer. Mrs. Hubert Eastman and Mrs. Ralph Livernoise conducted a series of games for the twenty girls present.

Tuesday, the Brownies were led by two Girl Scouts in their games. They planned to make place cards for the Bronson Nursing Home for Thanksgiving as a project. Leaders present at the Tuesday meeting were Mrs. Leslie Gibson, Mrs. John Green and Mrs. Hamilton Cregar.

CUB SCOUTS

Cub Scouts of Den 3 met Monday at the home of Mrs. Berton Rogers. The nine Cubs present worked on paper bag puppets and sang and practiced the ceremonies to be conducted at the next pack meeting. Robert Huber completed two achievements by taking charge of the flag ceremony and by giving a book report.

Cub Scouts of Den 6 met at the home of Mrs. Douglas Jones last Monday. Howard Maynard, scribe, reported eight present at the meeting. They made paper mache puppets and played games. The flag ceremony was led by Bobby Schouler and refreshments were provided by Mrs. Delbert Ingram.

GIRL SCOUTS

Twenty-six second-class Girl Scouts met at Little House Monday and worked on Christmas gifts for their parents. Refreshments were furnished by Elizabeth Davis, Donita Abbey, Marcia Eastman, Gretchen Hammond and Carol Lombard. The clean-up committee was composed of Ma-chaelyn Caron, Nancy Schouler, Peggy Myrocyk, Mary McKiver, and Nellie Moore. Miss Cindy Thompson, Mrs. Walbridge and Mrs. Johnson were leaders present.

A DAUGHTER

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Kelley of Beers Plain Road Saturday, Nov. 3. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Sevene of Leyden and Mrs. Burton A. Kelley of Northfield.

catch a free ride to go east, west, north or south, and whose presence I never suspected in the woods till I came back into the house. Where were they lurking, those stick-tights? Another day I shall make a special trip just to find out.

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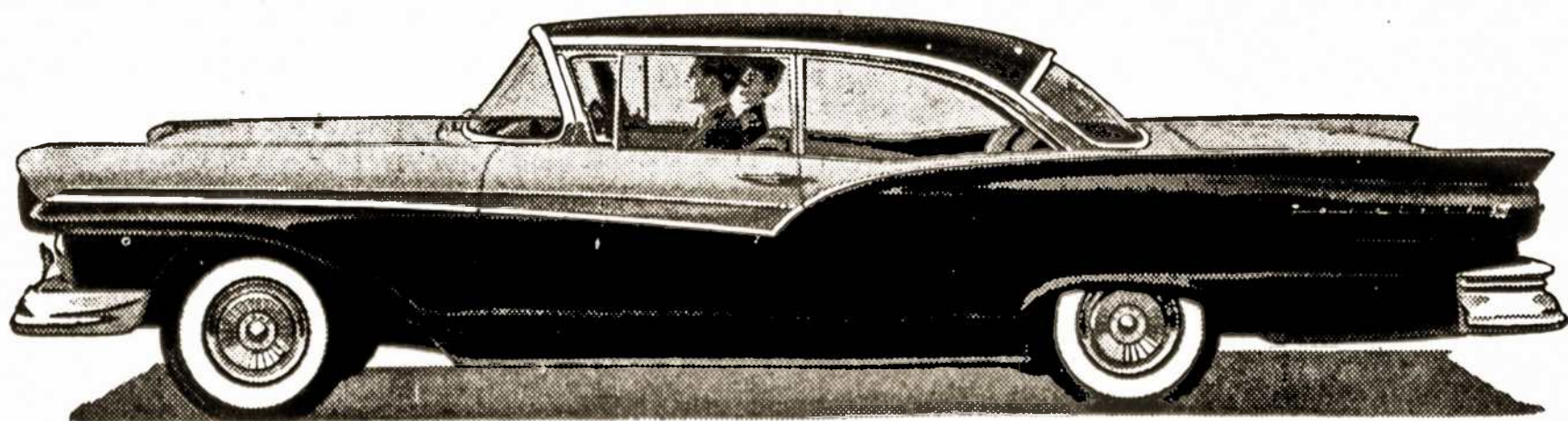
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